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Amchitka Island and Approaches NOAA Chart 16450

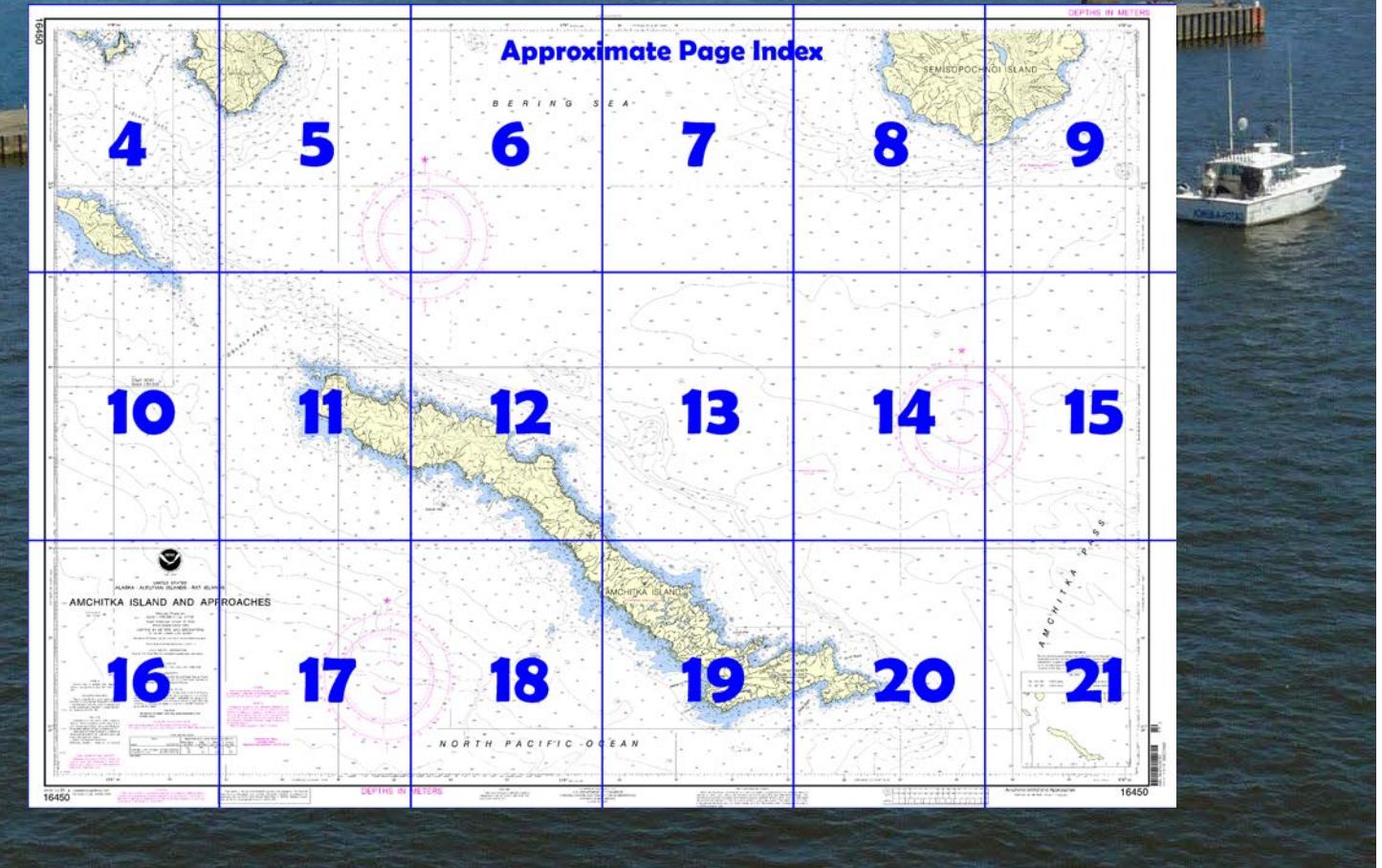


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What is a BookletChart™?

This BookletChart is made to help recreational boaters locate themselves on the water. It has been reduced in scale for convenience, but otherwise contains all the information of the full-scale nautical chart. The bar scales have also been reduced, and are accurate when used to measure distances in this BookletChart. See the Note at the bottom of page 5 for the reduction in scale applied to this chart.

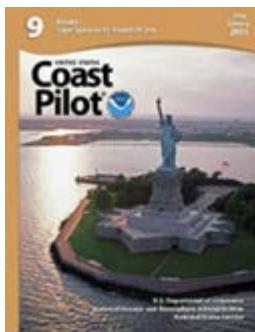
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Notice to Mariners Correction Status

This BookletChart has been updated for chart corrections published in the U.S. Coast Guard Local Notice to Mariners, the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency Weekly Notice to Mariners, and, where applicable, the Canadian Coast Guard Notice to Mariners. Additional chart corrections have been made by NOAA in advance of their publication in a Notice to Mariners. The last Notices to Mariners applied to this chart are listed in the Note at the bottom of page 7. Coast Pilot excerpts are not being corrected.

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(Selected Excerpts from Coast Pilot)
Aleutian Islands, extending in a 900-mile arc from Unimak Island to Attu Island, are a westward continuation of the Alaska Peninsula and form the southern limit of the Bering Sea. The most important groups of islands in the chain are Fox Islands, Islands of the Four Mountains, Andreanof Islands, Rat Islands, and Near Islands.

Anchorage.—Most of the larger islands in the Aleutians provide some sheltered anchorages as mentioned in the text for the

individual places. The better known harbors are: Akutan Harbor on Akutan Island, Dutch Harbor on Unalaska Island, Nazan Bay on Atka Island, Kuluk Bay on Adak Island, Constantine Harbor on Amchitka Island, Kiska Harbor on Kiska Island, and Massacre Bay on Attu Island.

Amchitka Island, 27 miles SW of Semisopochnoi Island, has a NW-SE length of 34 miles and a greatest width of 4.5 miles. The SE part is very low, the highest point being 351 feet. The NW section is hilly and much higher, with peaks rising to 1,200 feet. The high land levels out toward the middle of the island to a low, rolling tundra and flat tableland. Many lakes and ponds are on the S half and a portion of the N half of the island. Most of the coast is fringed with reefs and extensive kelp beds. The shores are generally steep with many off-lying covered rocks, especially on the N shore and the E part of the S shore. Vessels should stay outside the 50-fathom curve, up to 4 miles off the N shore and 7 miles off the S shore, unless proceeding to anchorage. Weak tidal currents have been observed along the S side of the island. In 1986, Amchitka Island and the nearby surrounding waters were closed to the public. The island is a military reservation. (See **50 CFR 36.39**; not carried in this Coast Pilot.)

Local magnetic disturbance.—Differences of as much as 5° from the normal variation have been observed on Amchitka Island.

South Bight, 3 miles W of **East Cape**, is an excellent emergency anchorage on the S coast of Amchitka Island, offering shelter during N weather.

East Cape and **Column Rocks** are Steller sea lion rookery sites. There is a 3-mile vessel exclusionary zone around these rookeries which encompass the entire cape including South Bight and surround column Rocks. (See **50 CFR 223.202**, chapter 2, for limits and regulations.)

Constantine Harbor, on the N side of Amchitka Island 6 miles W of East Cape, provides a fair anchorage. Because there are no prominent features on the island, caution is necessary to avoid mistaking other indentations for Constantine Harbor.

The S side of Constantine Harbor entrance is foul for 0.5 mile offshore. On the N side a reef, covered less than 2 fathoms in places and marked by heavy kelp, extends almost 1.5 miles E of **Kirilof Point**. The head of the harbor is a sand beach; other shores are rocky bluffs.

Kirilof Bay, on the N side of Amchitka Island 8.5 miles W of East Cape, is suitable only for small boats. Breakers have been reported to run across the entire entrance to the bay.

Oglala Pass, between Amchitka Island and Rat Island, is almost 10 miles wide; depths of 21 to over 30 fathoms can be carried through the middle of the pass. The current is somewhat rotary, turning clockwise. A 4-knot current has been measured in the middle of the pass; greater velocities may be experienced. Currents exceeding 7 knots have been encountered 1.5 miles NW of Amchitka Island. (See the Tidal Current Tables for predictions for Oglala Pass.) During moderately heavy S weather, heavy tide rips extend across the pass at maximum ebb and attain heights of 30 to 40 feet under storm conditions. The pass should not be attempted by small vessels during S weather when the current is ebbing strongly.

Little Sitkin Island, 32.5 miles W of Semisopochnoi Island, has a N-S length of 5.5 miles and an E-W width of the same distance. The interior is extremely rugged and mountainous; only the lower slopes are grass covered. There are two prominent peaks, one 3,897 feet high in the NE part, and the other 1,960 feet high in the S part. Numerous streams are on the island but no lakes or ponds. The coast is generally bold, rocky, and precipitous, with a fringe of kelp 200 to 400 yards wide. A bank with a least depth of 10 fathoms extends about 1 mile off the N shore. No dangers are more than 600 yards from the beach. (See the Tidal Current Tables for predictions.)

U.S. Coast Guard Rescue Coordination Center
24 hour Regional Contact for Emergencies

RCC Juneau Commander
17th CG District (907) 463-2000
Juneau, Alaska

Table of Selected Chart Notes

Corrected through NM Jun. 5/04
Corrected through LNM May 18/04

PROHIBITED AREA
Amchitka Island
Regulations are published in 50 CFR 36.39

CAUTION
Temporary changes or defects in aids to navigation are not indicated on this chart. See Local Notice to Mariners.

For Symbols and Abbreviations see Chart No. 1

LOCAL MAGNETIC DISTURBANCE
Differences of as much as 5° from the normal variation have been observed on Amchitka Island and as much as 7° on Semisopachnoi Island near Sugarloaf Head.

POLLUTION REPORTS
Report all spills of oil and hazardous substances to the National Response Center via 1-800-424-8802 (toll free), or to the nearest U.S. Coast Guard facility if telephone communication is impossible (33 CFR 153).

NOTE B
Sunken ship is loaded with explosives.
Vessels are warned to stay well clear of the area.

CAUTION
Limitations on the use of radio signals as aids to marine navigation can be found in the U.S. Coast Guard Light Lists and National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency Publication 117.
Radio direction-finder bearings to commercial broadcasting stations are subject to error and should be used with caution.
Station positions are shown thus:
Ⓐ(Accurate location) Ⓜ(Approximate location)

CAUTION
Numerous uncharted rocks may exist shoreward of the 10 meter curve.

NOTE A
Navigation regulations are published in Chapter 2, U.S. Coast Pilot 9. Additions or revisions to Chapter 2 are published in the Notices to Mariners. Information concerning the regulations may be obtained at the Office of the Commander, 17th Coast Guard District in Juneau, Alaska, or at the Office of the District Engineer, Corps of Engineers in Anchorage, Alaska.
Refer to charted regulation section numbers.

HEIGHTS
Heights in meters and decimeters above Mean High Water

Mercator Projection
Scale 1:100,000 at Lat. 51°38'
North American Datum of 1983
(World Geodetic System 1984)
**DEPTHS IN METERS AND DECIMETERS
AT MEAN LOWER LOW WATER**

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WARNING
The prudent mariner will not rely solely on any single aid to navigation, particularly on floating aids. See U.S. Coast Guard Light List and U.S. Coast Pilot for details.

SOURCE DIAGRAM
The outlined areas represent the limits of the most recent hydrographic survey information that has been evaluated for charting. Surveys have been banded in this diagram by date and type of survey. Channels maintained by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers are periodically resurveyed and are not shown on this diagram. Refer to Chapter 1, United States Coast Pilot.

HORIZONTAL DATUM
The horizontal reference datum of this chart is North American Datum of 1983 (NAD 83), which for charting purposes is considered equivalent to the World Geodetic System 1984 (WGS 84). Geographic positions referred to the North American Datum of 1927 must be corrected an average of 5.600" southward and 9.967" westward to agree with this chart.

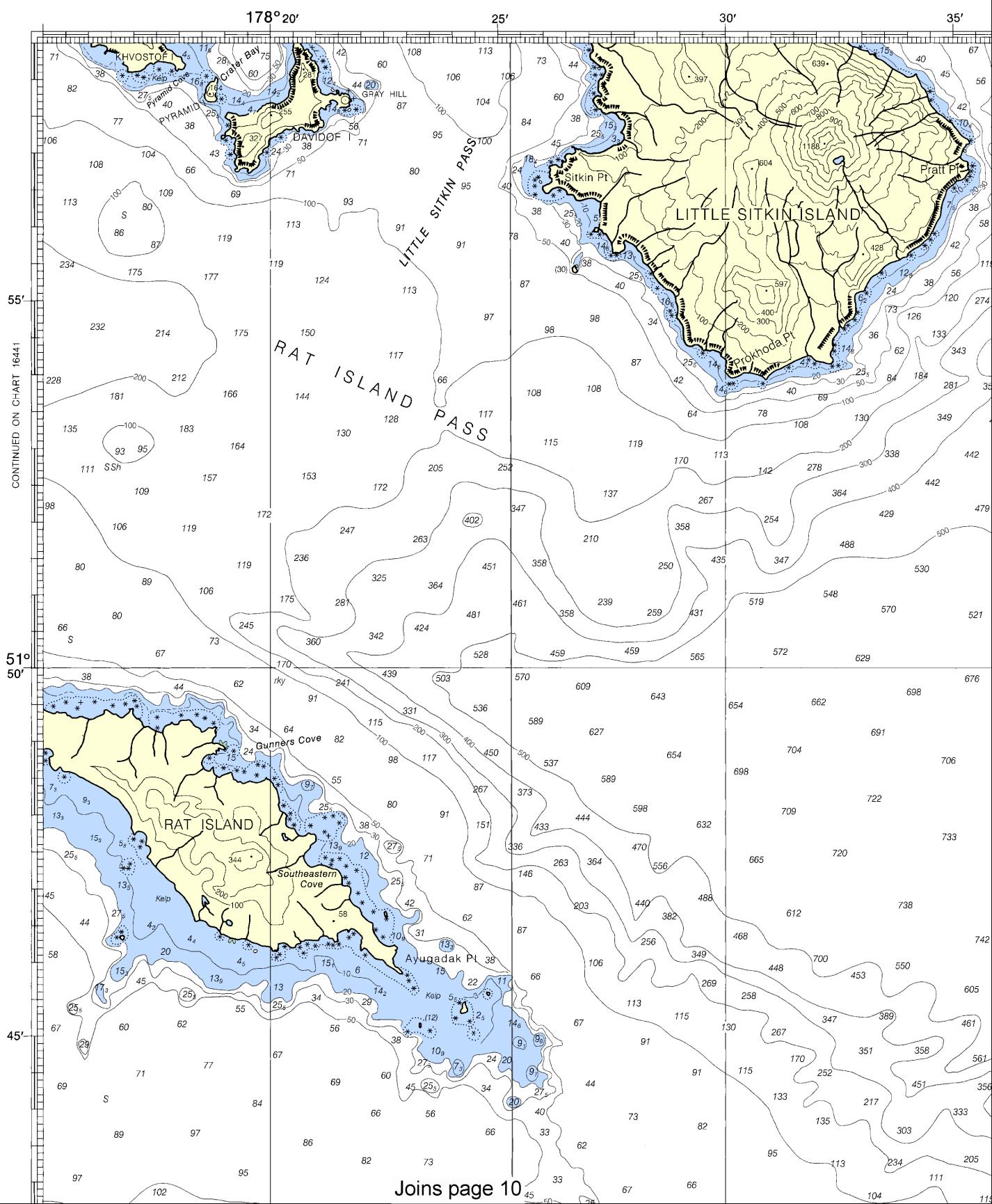
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Hydrography and topography by the National Ocean Service, Coast Survey, with additional data from the U.S. Coast Guard, Geological Survey, and National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency.

COLREGS, 80.1705 (see note A)
International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea, 1972.
The entire area of this chart falls seaward of the COLREGS Demarcation Line.

TIDAL INFORMATION					
Place Name	(LAT/LONG)	Height referred to datum of soundings (MLLW)			
		Mean Higher High Water	Mean High Water	Mean Low Water	Extreme Low Water
South Bight, Amchitka Island (51°23'N/179°23'E)		3.5
Constantine Harbor (51°25'N/179°17'E)		2.8	2.4	0.9	-3.0

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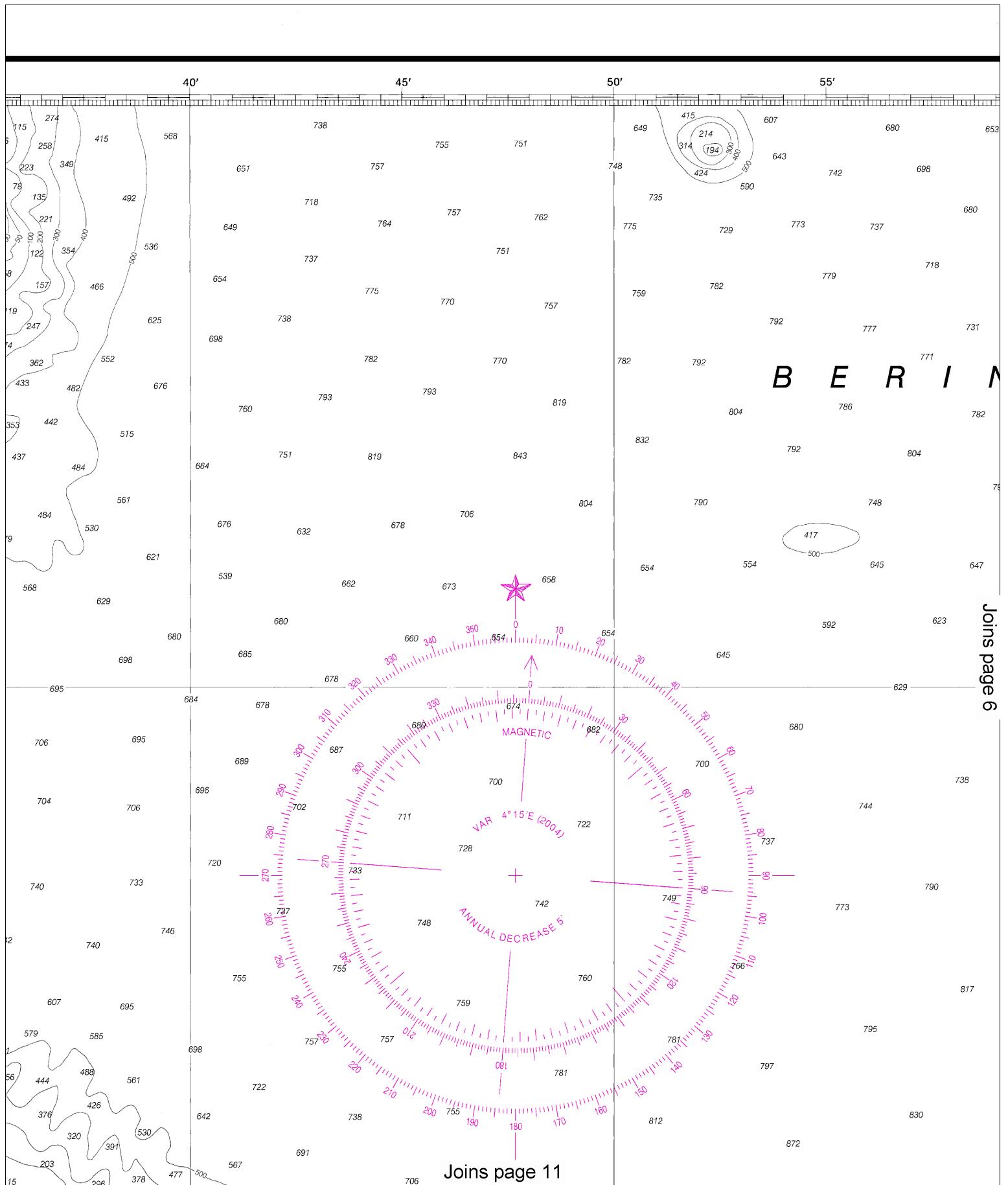
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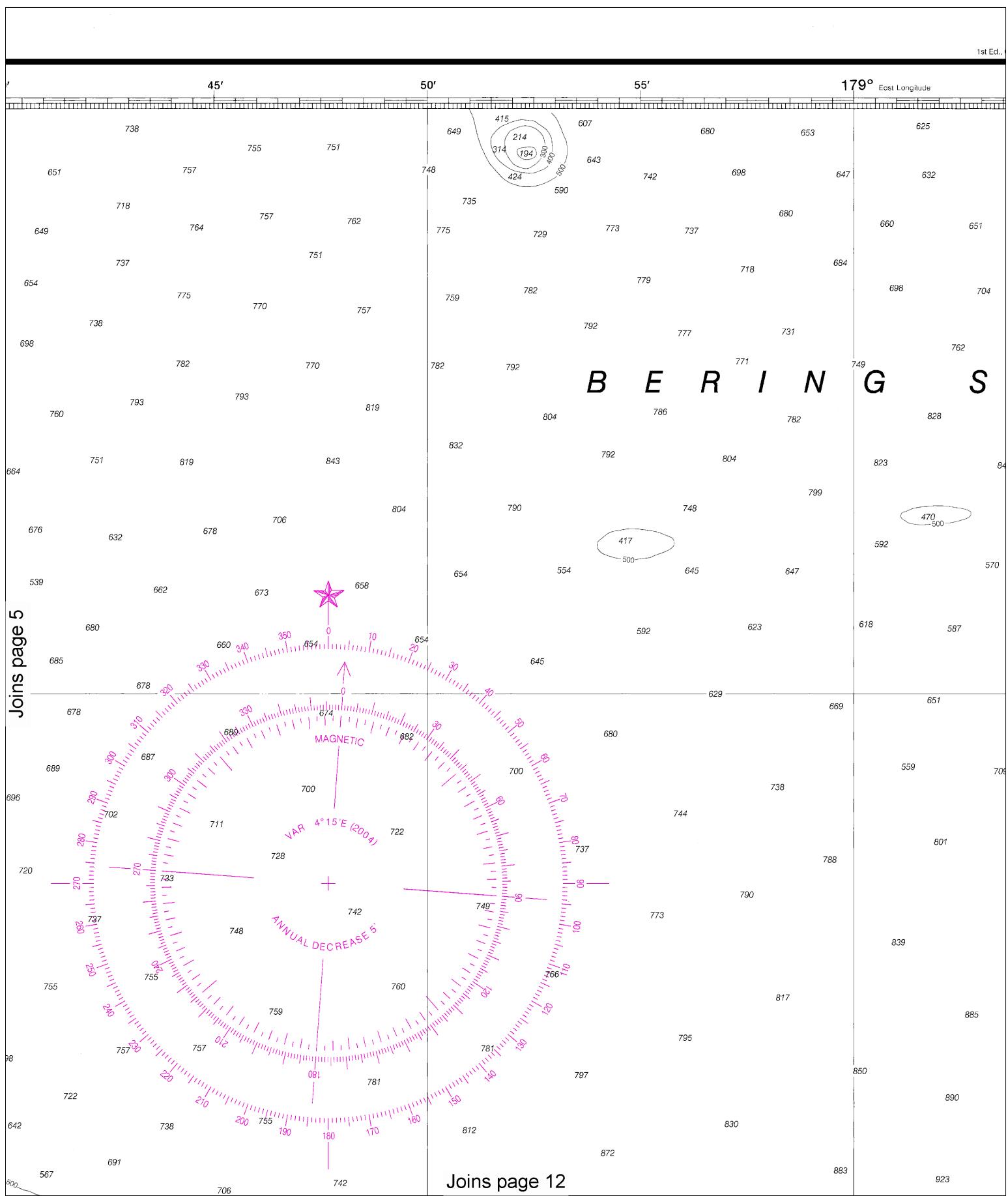
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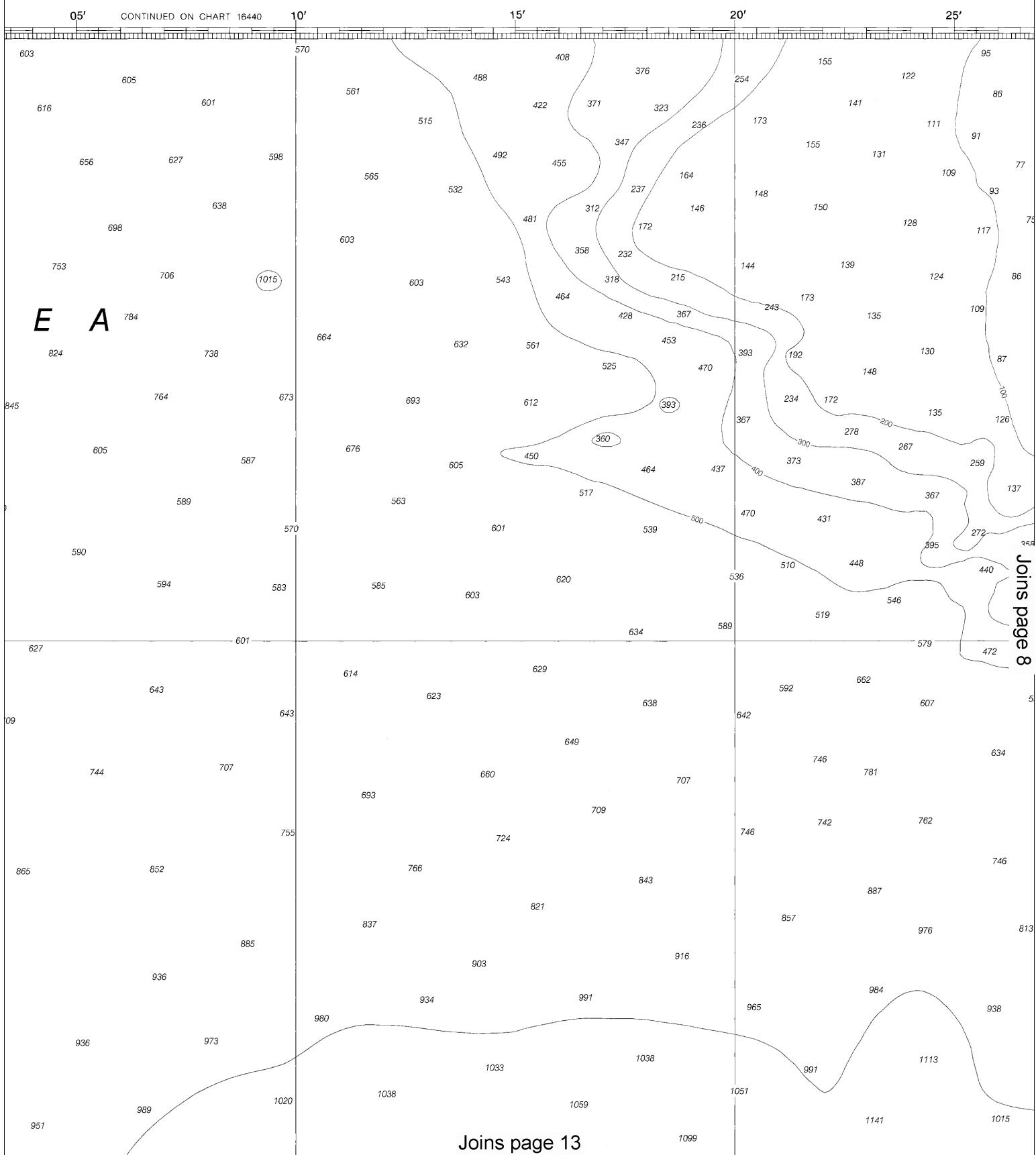
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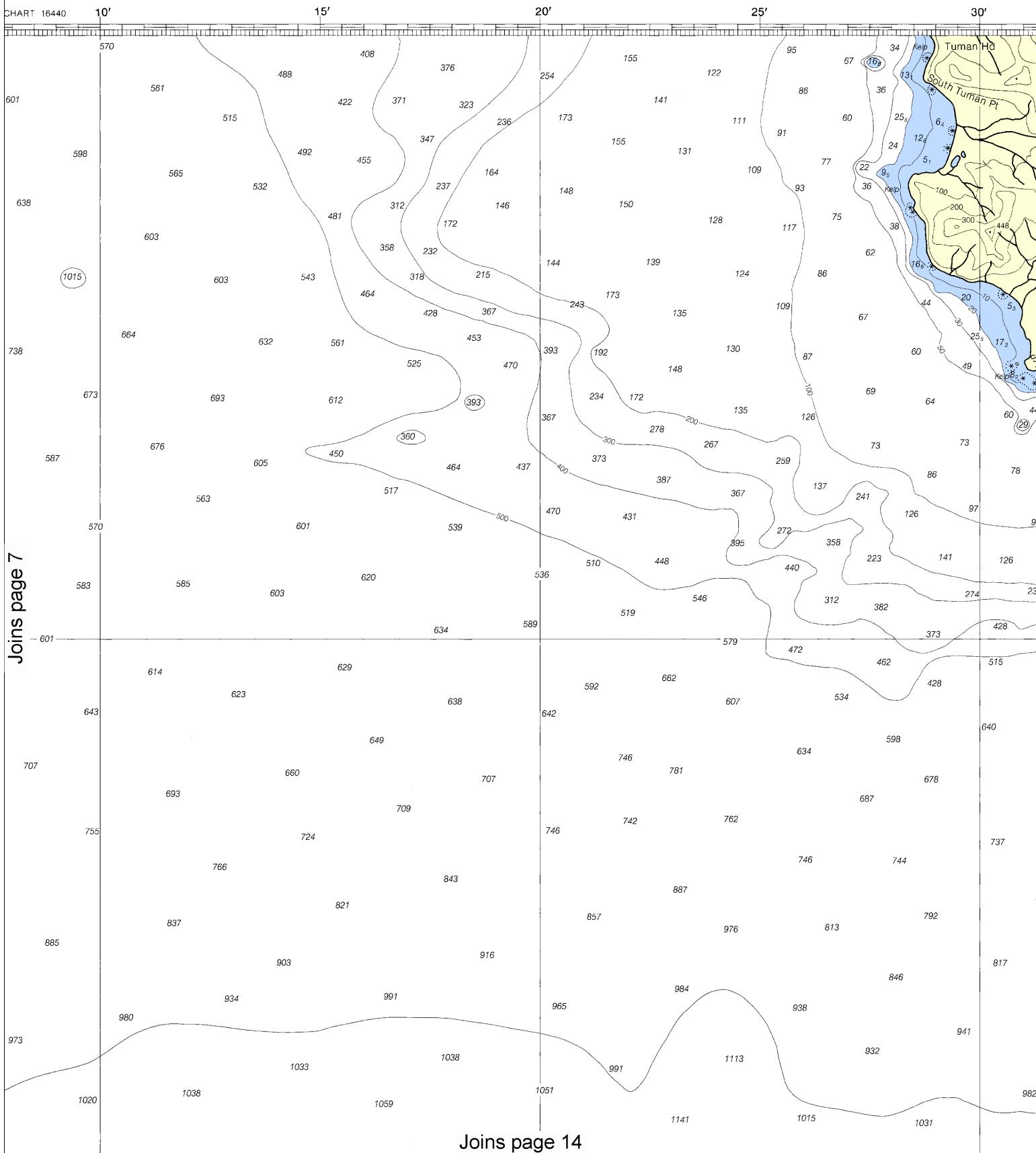
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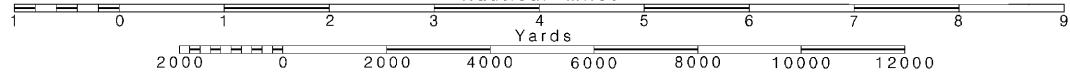
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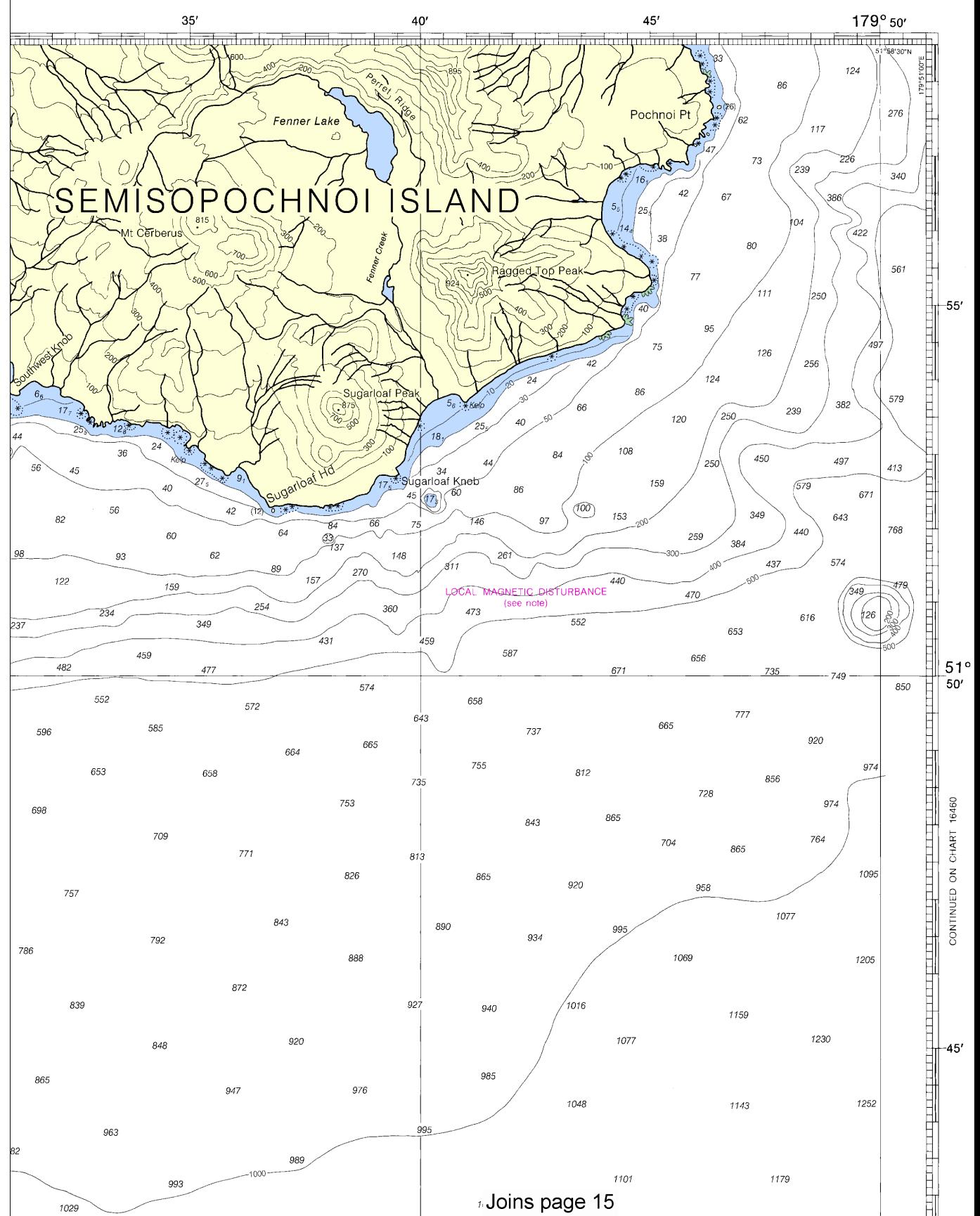
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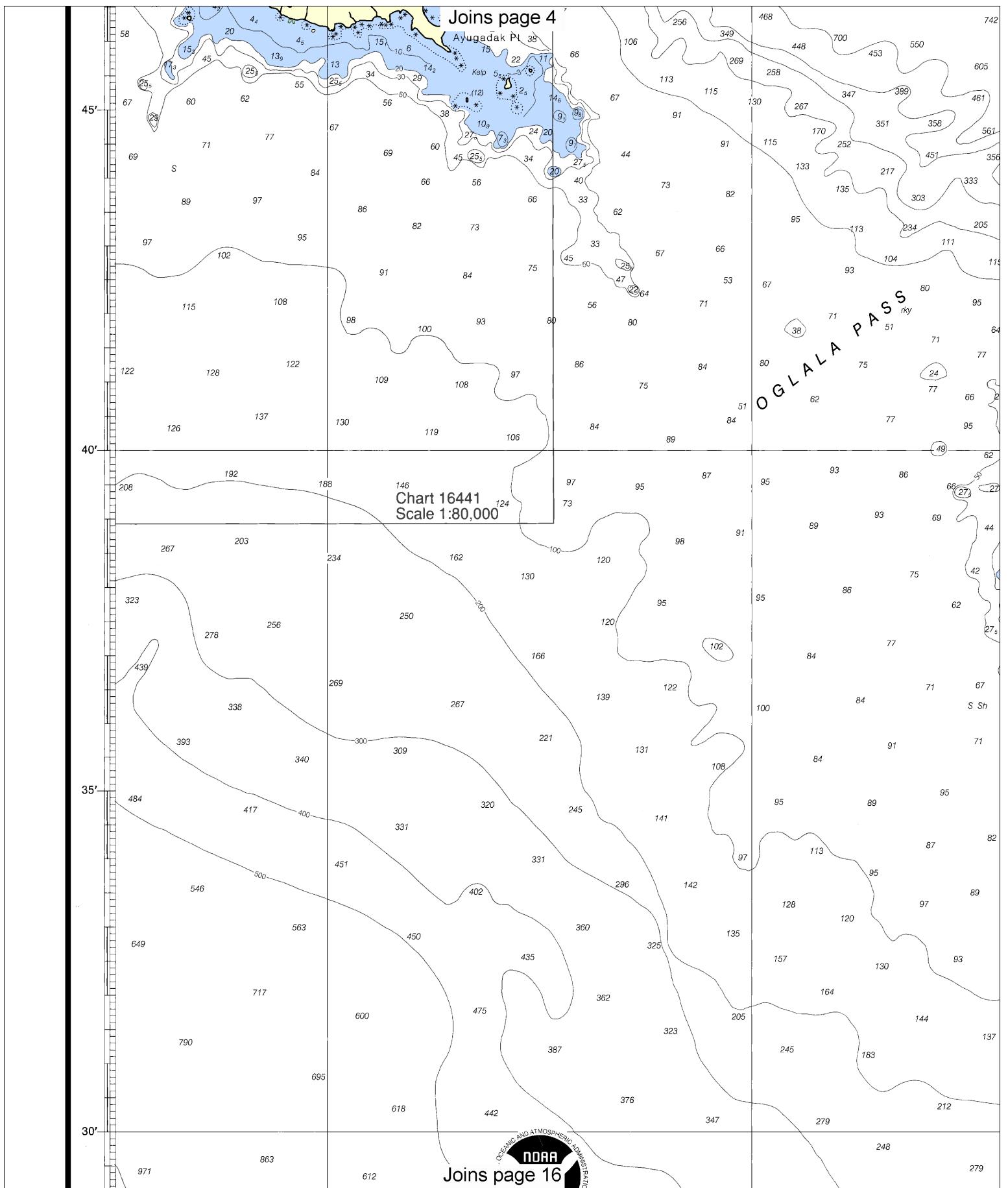
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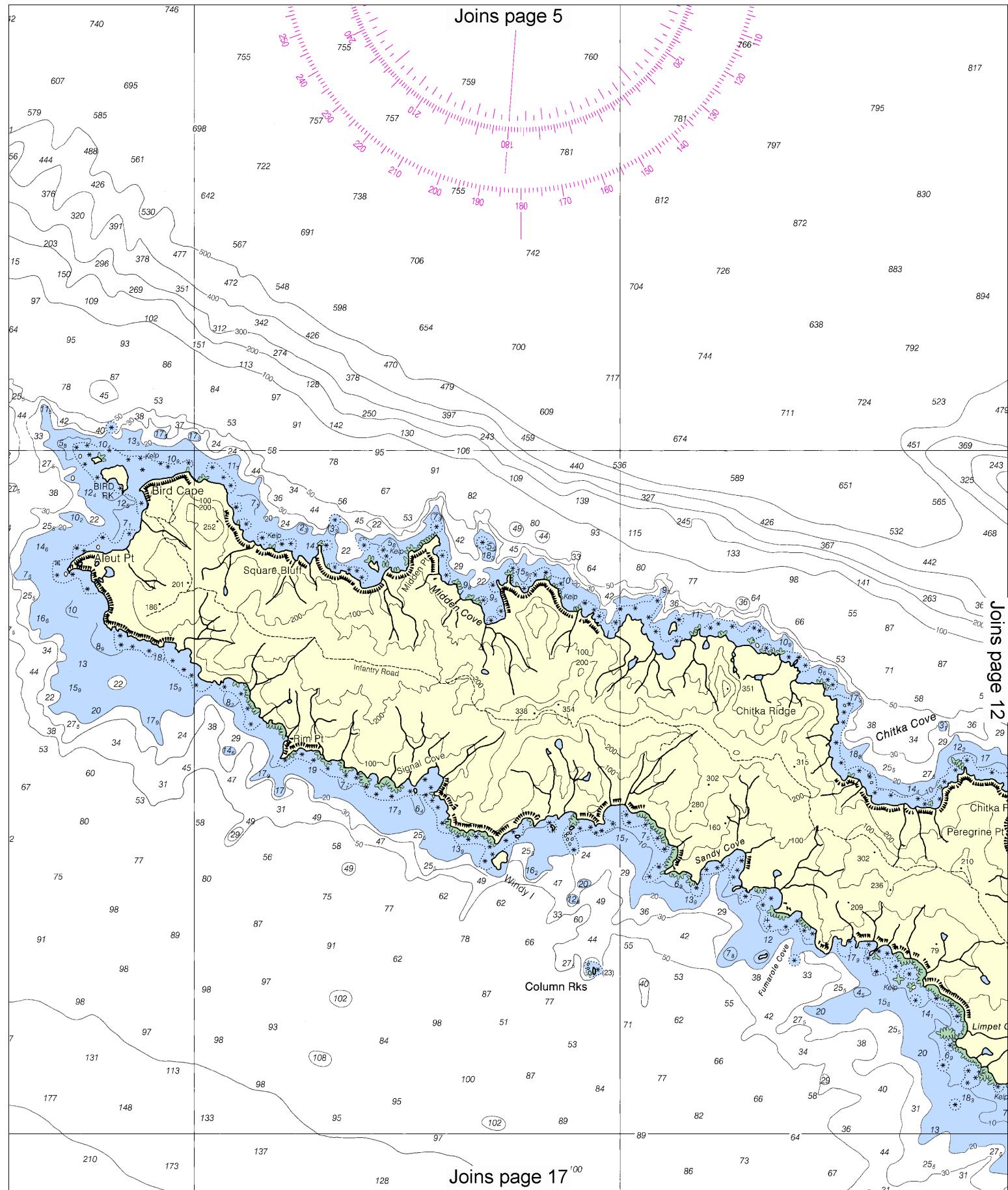
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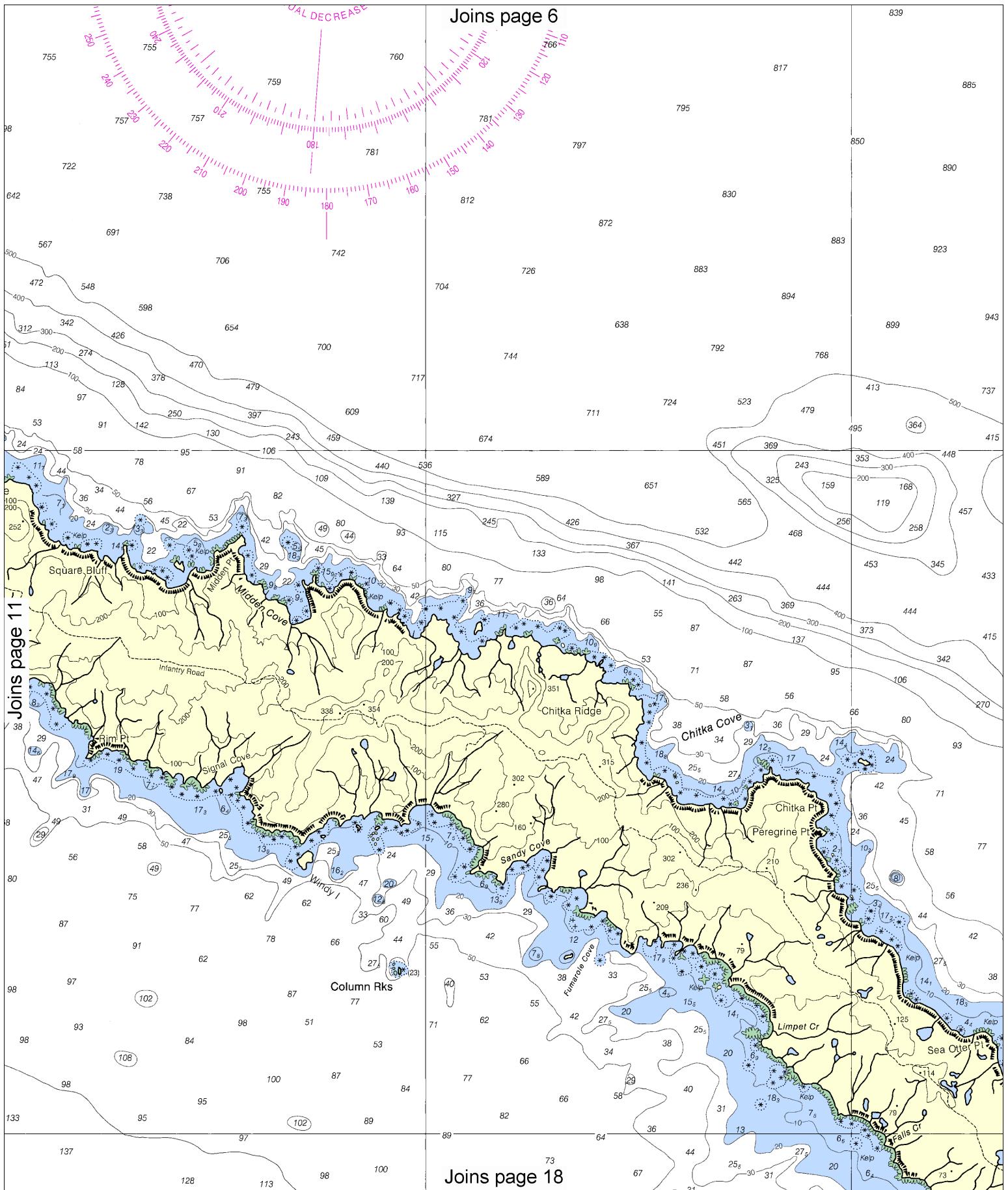
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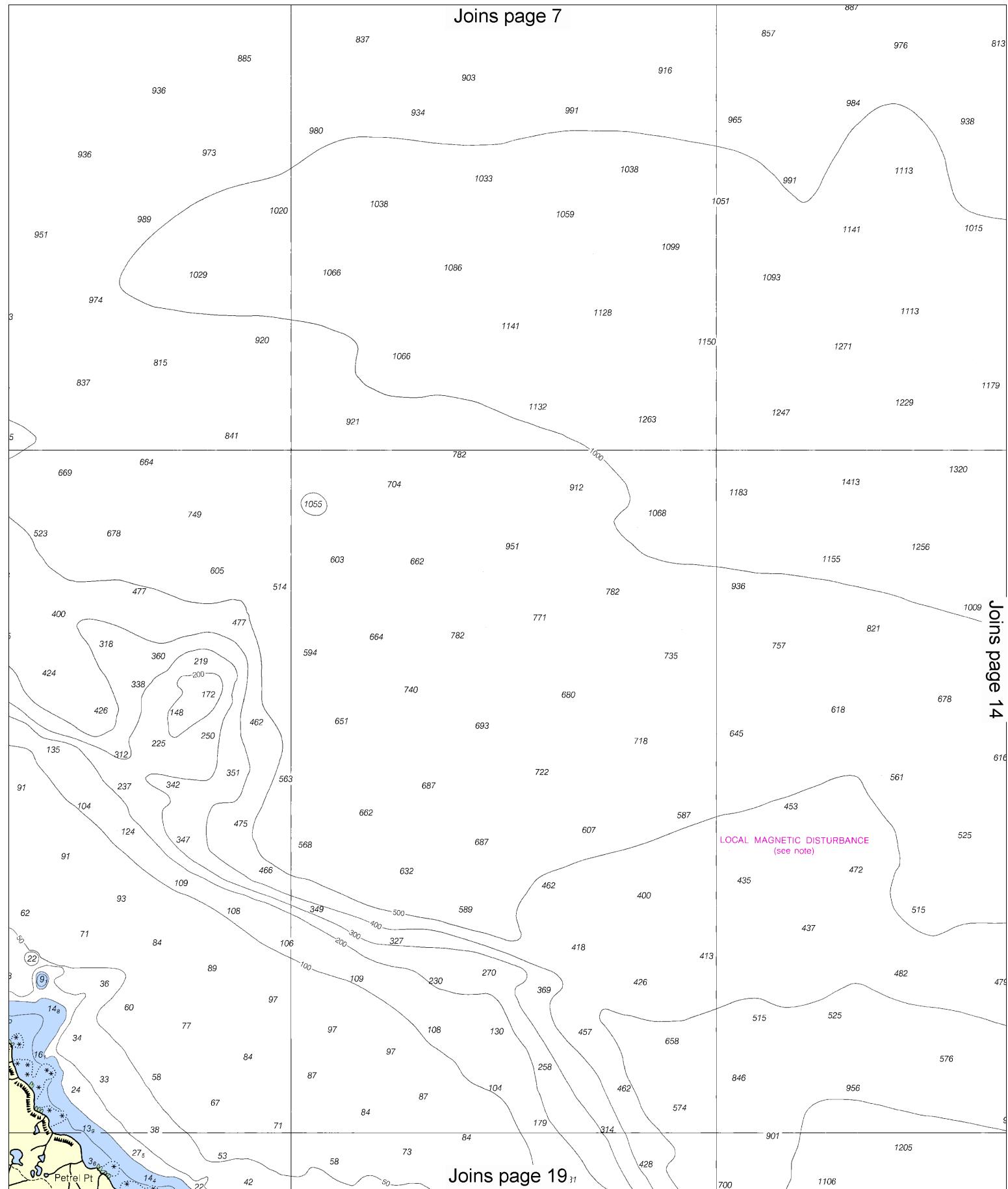
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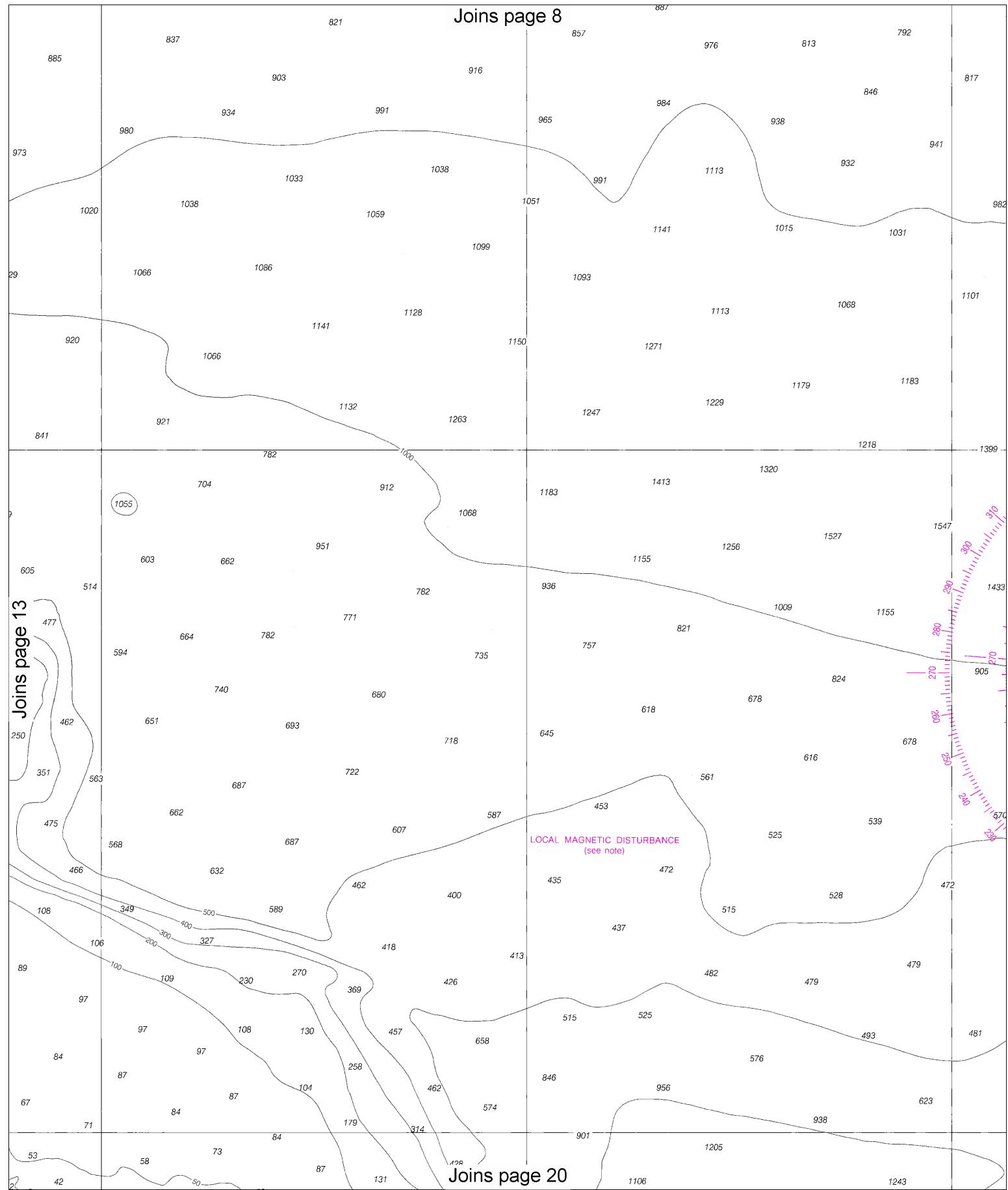
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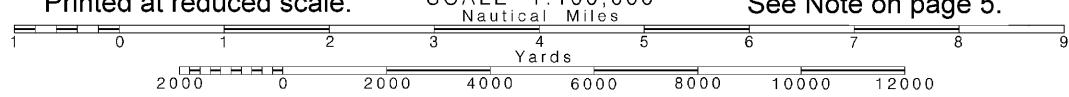
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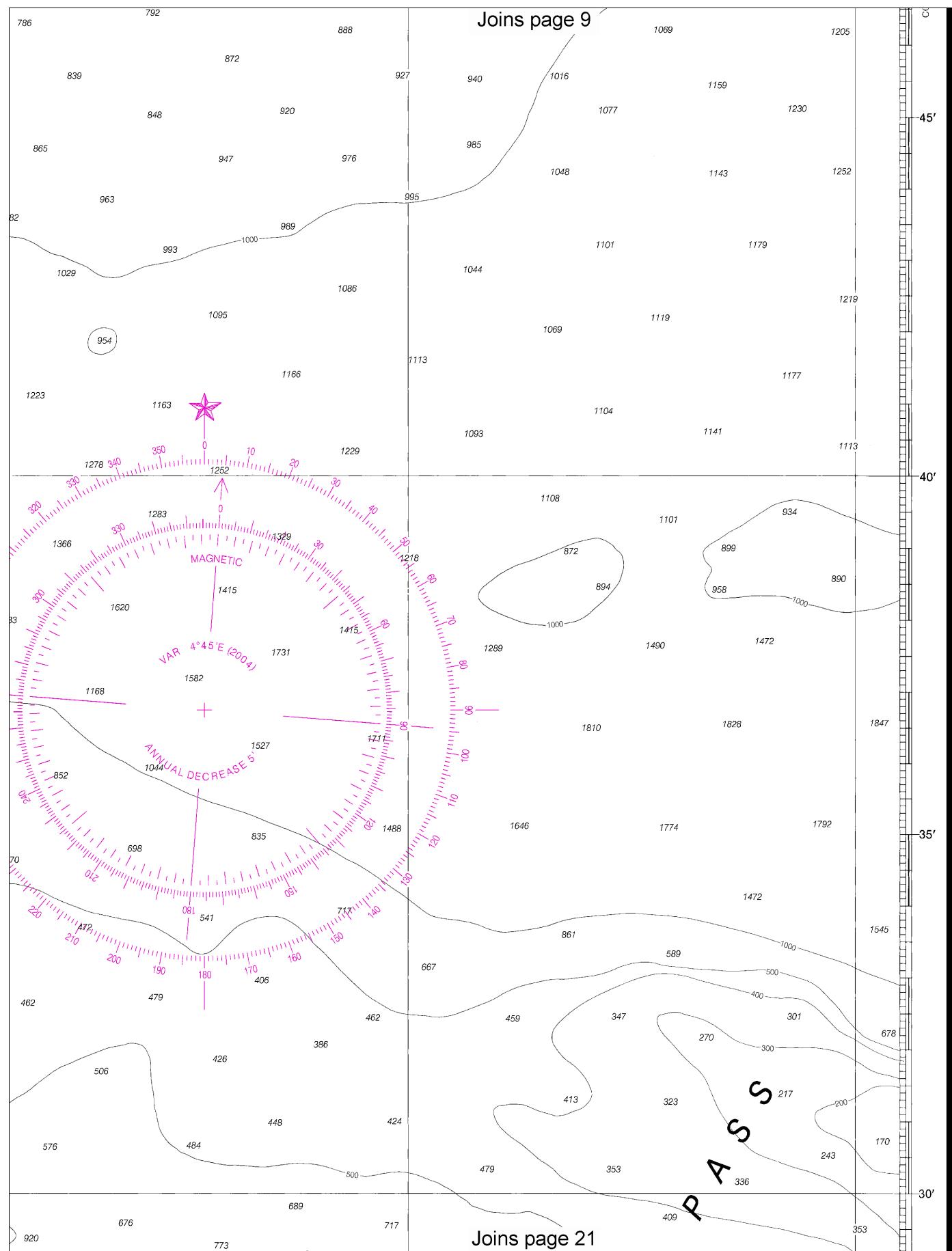
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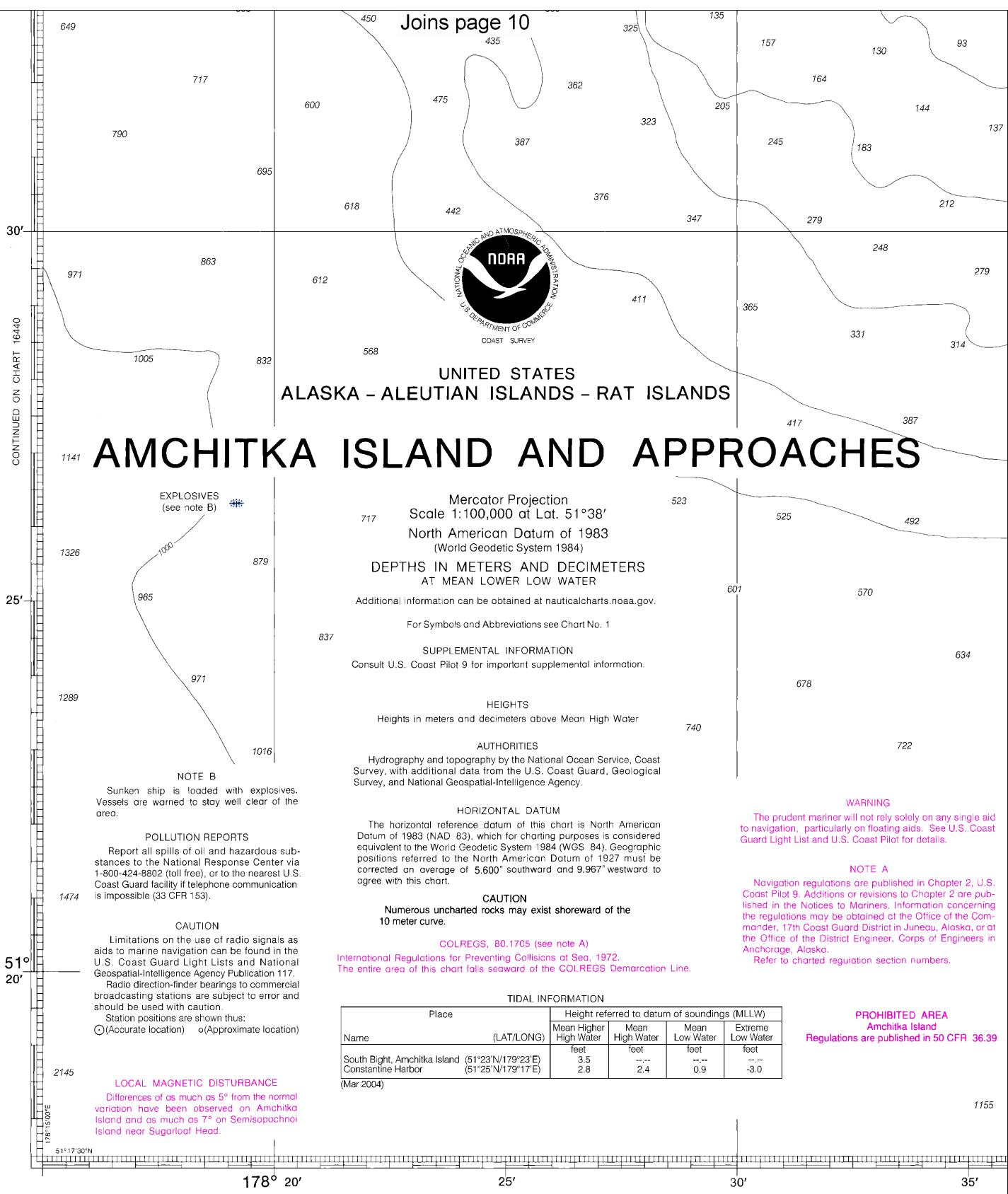
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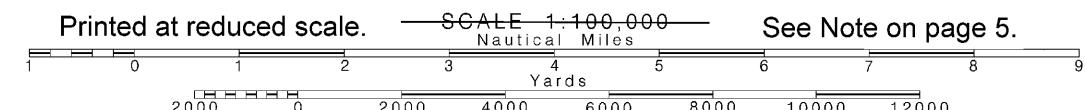




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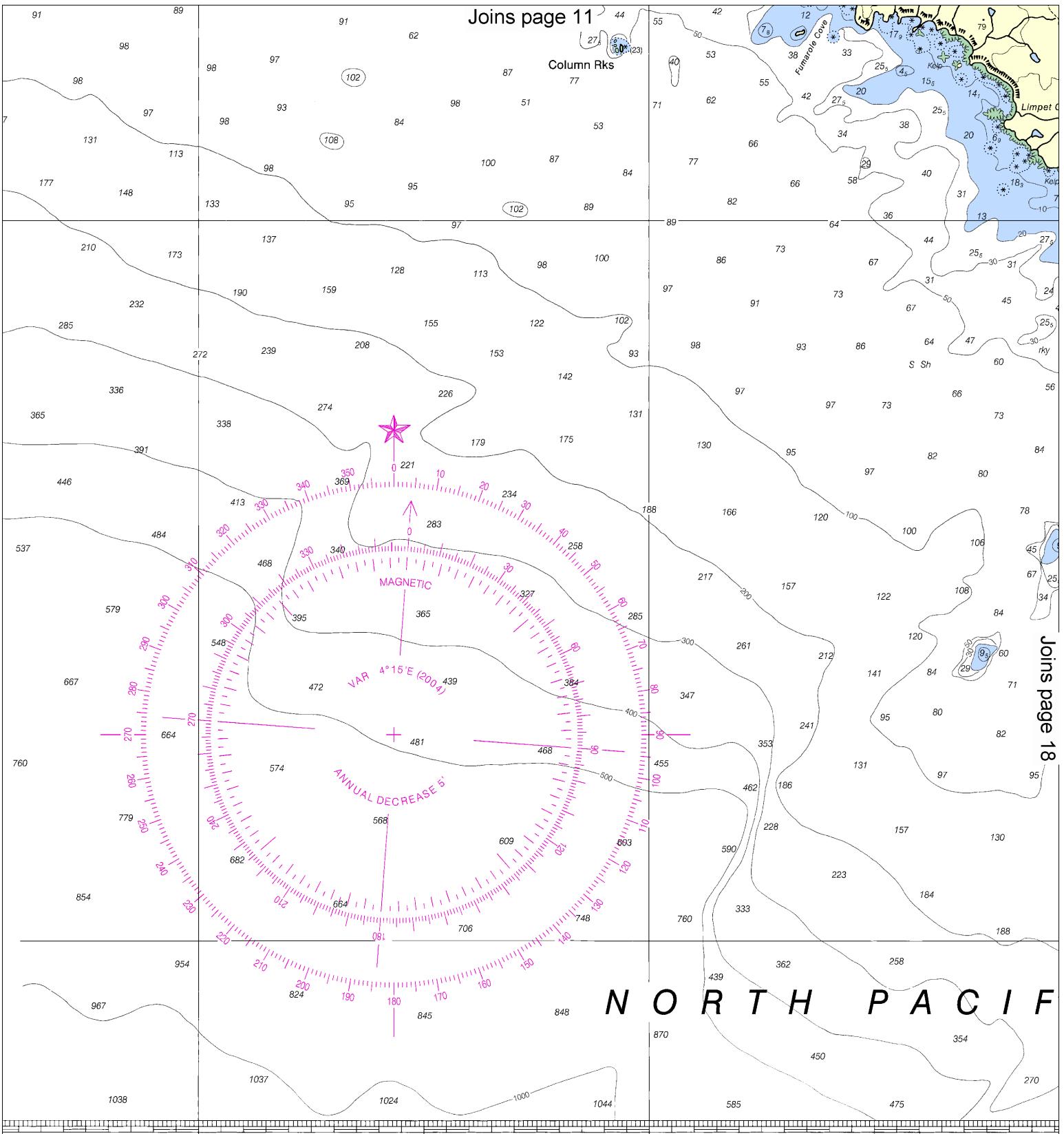
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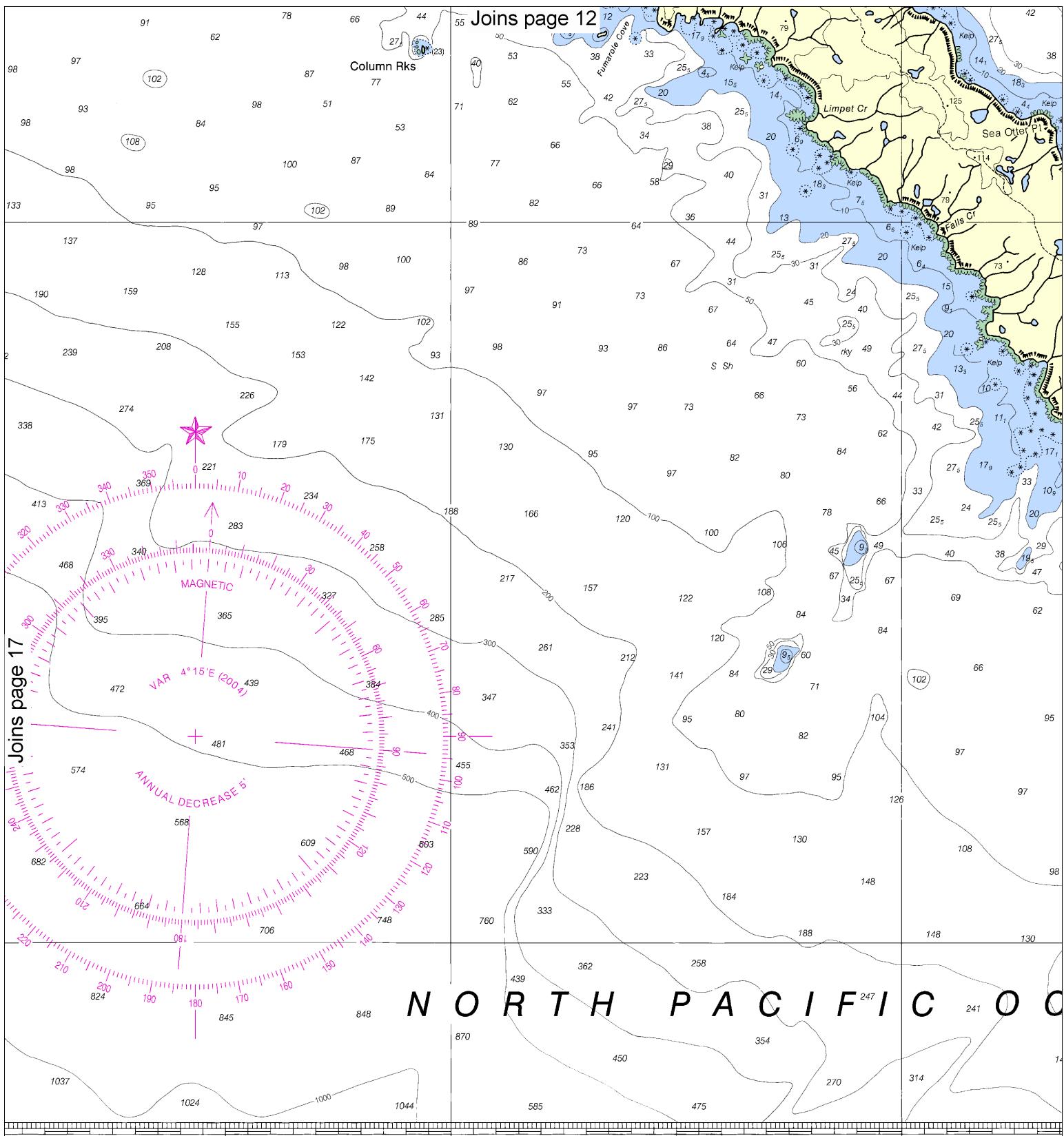


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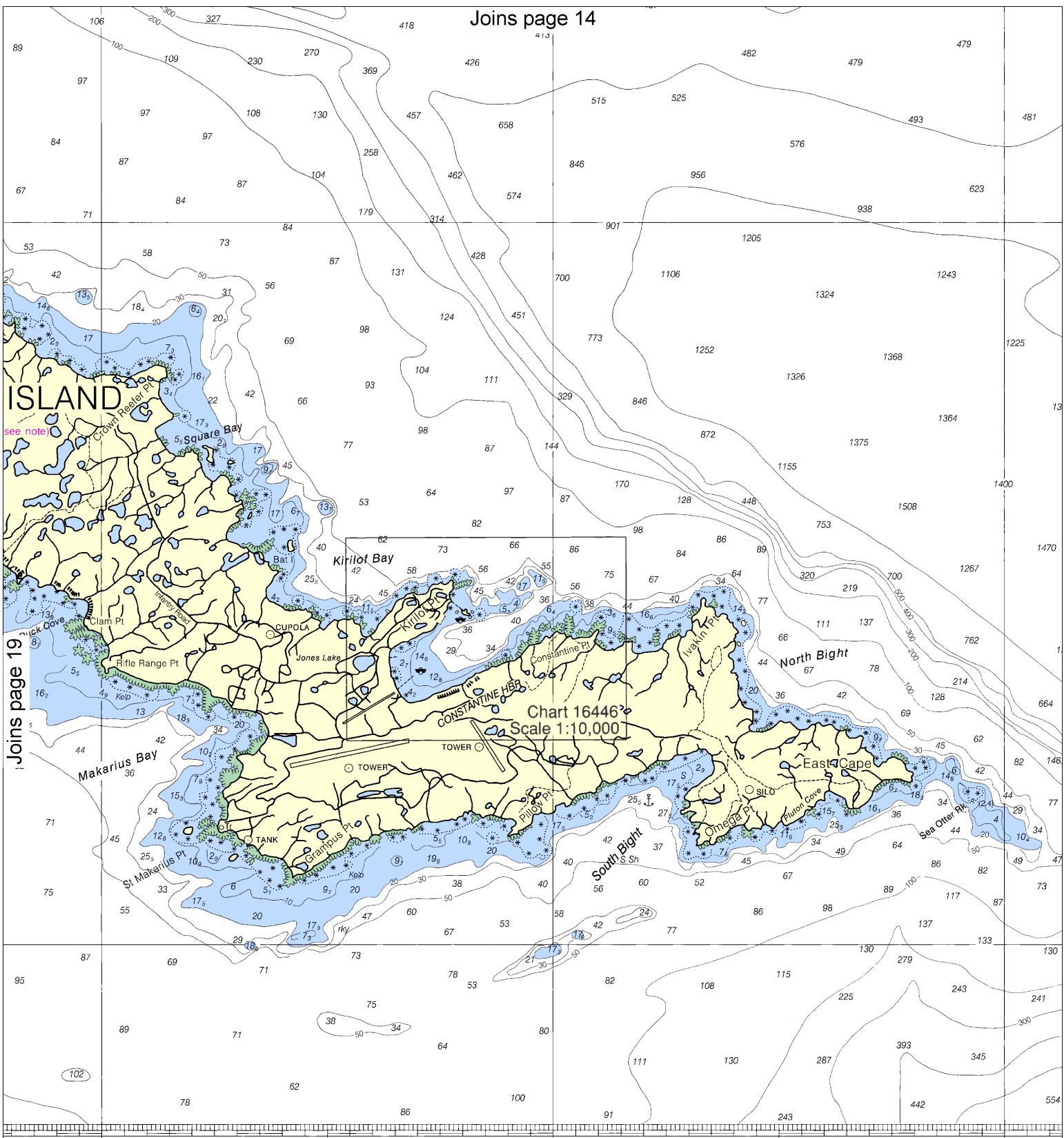
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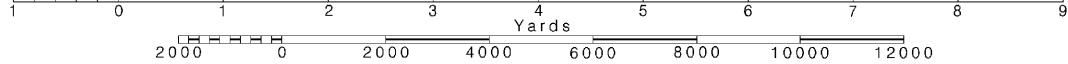
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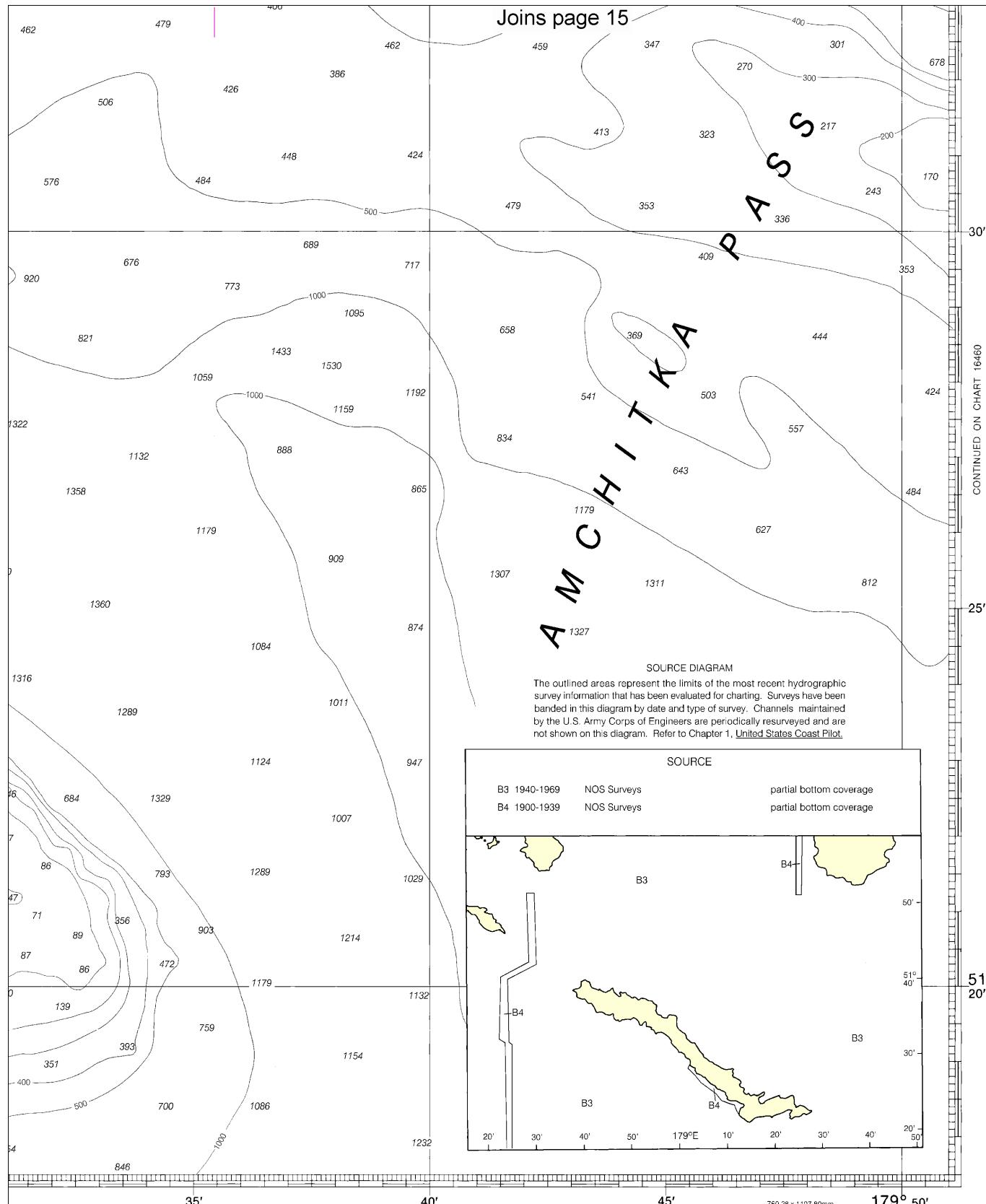
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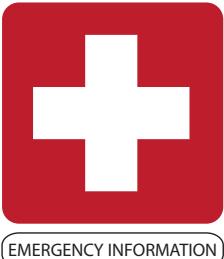


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EMERGENCY INFORMATION

VHF Marine Radio channels for use on the waterways:

Channel 6 – Inter-ship safety communications.

Channel 9 – Communications between boats and ship-to-coast.

Channel 13 – Navigation purposes at bridges, locks, and harbors.

Channel 16 – Emergency, distress and safety calls to Coast Guard and others, and to initiate calls to other

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Channel 22A – Calls between the Coast Guard and the public. Severe weather warnings, hazards to navigation and safety warnings are broadcast here.

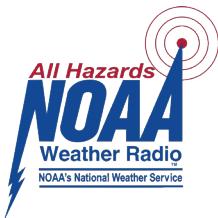
Channels 68, 69, 71, 72 and 78A – Recreational boat channels.

Getting and Giving Help — Signal other boaters using visual distress signals (flares, orange flag, lights, arm signals); whistles; horns; and on your VHF radio. You are required by law to help boaters in trouble. Respond to distress signals, but do not endanger yourself.

Distress Call Procedures

- Make sure radio is on.
- Select Channel 16.
- Press/Hold the transmit button.
- Clearly say: "MAYDAY, MAYDAY, MAYDAY."
- Also give: Vessel Name and/or Description; Position and/or Location; Nature of Emergency; Number of People on Board.
- Release transmit button.
- Wait for 10 seconds — If no response Repeat MAYDAY call.

HAVE ALL PERSONS PUT ON LIFE JACKETS!



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